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In re Application of

Satoshi Yuzawa et al.

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DECLARATION

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

- I, Tomoo TAKAHASHI , hereby declare that:
- 1. I am familiar with both the Japanese and the English languages.
- The attached is a true and accurate translation of Japanese Application No. 152411/2000.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and, further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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